JANE

By Bertha Hale Brown.

"Mammy !" cried Silly Jim, "they's laughin' at me !"

"Never mind, sonny."

"But, mammy, they said you was CRAZY Jane !"

"Don't you pay them no mind, honey. You got jist as good a mammy as any o' them."

Silly Jim smeared the tears over his face with a grimy coat sleeve, and bent his hulking form above the heaped-up child's wagon Old Jane was pulling stolidly along.

A queer pair they made—Old Jane and her uncouth son, her youngest child, Silly Jim, who moved the unthinking to cruel laughter—Old Jane, with her battered "express wagon" filled with the odds and ends collected in her back-door visits about the town. She never tried front doors, for however time had dimmed her wits, she knew it was not politic to do that. She could not afford to endanger that queer load of stale bread and broken pies and dried and tasteless scraps of food rescued from consignment to the garbage.

Every one knew that Old Jane was Bad Jane as well, but she was very useful in her way, the way of floors to be scrubbed and linen to be cleaned and rare bits of gossip carried from kitchen to kitchen. She worked for the best ladies of the town—perfect ladies, always going about trying to set the world to rights with missionary societies and ladies' aids and such. But Old Jane was never troubled by exhortations to reform. She was "Old Jane"—beyond the pale entirely, and not to be spoken to except in the kitchen and never seen at all anywhere else.

She was a regular customer at the butcher shops. No, she never wanted anything for herself—just a nickel's worth of scraps for the dog, though no one had ever seen Jane's dog. A good-natured meat cutter would give one quite a bunch of scraps for a nickle, and if they were scalded several times and boiled with a pinch of soda they were all right.

Once upon a time Old Jane—but, no. It was not OLD Jane then. It was Janey, and sometimes Dear Janey, but never Old Jane. But once long ago Janey had a home, a little, little home, perched upon a hillside looking down into a valley where another Jim tended his crop of corn and cotton. Unlike other women of the countryside, Janey never worked in the fields. She had enough to do about the house and in caring for the little one without chopping cotton—so Jim thought.

Janey was little and frail, with soft, childish hands and slender feet and the beauty and langour and innocence of the Southern hillfolk. But for all her slow ways, little Janey did many things. She cooked the simple meals at an open fireplace — hoe cake and yellow yams and bacon from the smokehouse, with the yellow hominy fried in the skillet afterward. And Janey could weave carpets on the loom in the corner of the little house and make pats of butter, kept cool and sweet upon a flat rock at the spring where the cold little mountain stream went tumbling down. She had chickens and eggs and garden things and sweet stuff made from mountain berries. Other riches there were — love and tenderness and golden days of homely tasks and nights of deep and untroubled slumber.

But the railroad needed that valley farm for its shops and the town yet to be built, so the farm has long since been forgotten. With the money paid for the farm Jim and Janey bought one of the new houses in the very new town and filled it with strange and useless furniture. Sometimes Jim wondered if the sum paid him for the farm was such a wonderful price after all. He had never been used to paying money for things to eat — why, people raised such things ! And it took such a lot of money to buy so little. He tried to estimate how much the farm had been worth to the company and felt sure that it was very much indeed, though he could not guess how much.

But at least he could always get work. Janey was not strong, and perhaps it were better for them to be in town, though they missed the home on the hillside. They felt very rich at first, but finally, as the money seemed to go too fast. Jim went to work about the railroad yards. He did not know much about switches and engines and such things, so one day he was carried home to Janey, his work done for all time. That was only a little while before Silly Jim came into the world, the dazed look of his young mother in his eyes. Only her children's need forced her to waken, but Silly Jim was to wear that look all his life.

"Silly Jim and Crazy Jane, Silly Jim and Crazy Jane !" chanted the group of homeward bound school children.

Old Jane paused as the wagon toppled dangerously and Silly Jim carefully guided the load over the rough crossing. About her withered form the cast-off garments of her charitable employers flapped grotesquely in the chilly autumn wind. Over her lean breast a gay blouse was pinned askew and beneath a soiled white shawl a mass of grizzled hair shaded her fierce dark eyes. She was old—very, very old—and it was barely twenty years since the other Jim had brought her to the little home upon the hillside, for Old Jane had not lived forty years.

Old Jane passed on her way, apparently serene, with Silly Jim slouching along in her wake. It was supper time almost and Old Jane's girl was waiting at home — Old Jane's girl with her baby that had no father. Old Jane sighed. Could she still remember ?

"Never you mind, sonny," she repeated. "Your mammy is jist as good as they's is."

Crazy Jane ? Oh, of course.

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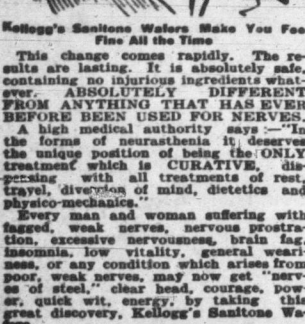

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Candidate in Red Deer

The comrades of the Socialist Party of Canada have chosen a candidate to contest the district of Red Deer in the approaching provincial elections of Alberta. Comrade Geo. Paton, of Content, Alta., is the chosen standard bearer.

The convention was held in the Socialist hall, Red Deer, on January 23rd. A large number of members were present, and the proceedings were of an enthusiastic nature. The convention put itself on record against the savage militarist propaganda by both church and state in Canada, and in favor of world-wide disarmament. The Platform of the Socialist Party was endorsed as a working platform for the election campaign. A resolution was also adopted favoring a United Canadian Socialist movement.

Funds are urgently needed to fight the campaign. All contributions will be thankfully received and acknowledged by Comrade C. H. Snell, Financial Secretary, Local Red Deer No. 11, S. P. of C. Box 528, Red Deer, Alta. All comrades in the riding who are not British subjects can get information as to how to become naturalized and a voter by writing Comrade Snell.

In the constituency of Red Deer there are locals of the Social Democratic Party who could assist in the election of Comrade Paton. Unfortunately the Socialist Party constitution forbids political alliance with any other party, even a revolutionary Socialist one. This is a drawback, as I am sure the comrades of the S.D.P. would be only too anxious to help elect Comrade Paton.

At the last count there were over 900 subscribers to Cotton's in Red Deer. If these would begin work now, and work with a will, Comrade Paton could be elected and join Comrade O'Brien in the Alberta legislature to fight the revolutionary battle of the working class.

The collection of funds is important. There is the required deposit to be raised. Comrade Snell, Box 528, Red Deer, will be glad to receive all remittances.

PILLARS OR CATER-PILLARS.

The princes of the house of privilege in Canada, who control our railway, banking and manufacturing systems, are levying tribute upon every citizen of Canada to a greater extent than was done by the feudal barons when knighthood was in flower. These Canadian princes of privilege levy their tribute under the protection of the law, which is made to suit them. Thus they stand upon the topmost pinnacle of respectability and are regarded as the "pillars" of society. When it is considered that the wealth these princes are accumulating has not been earned by them, but is filched from the pockets of the common people by the aid of barbarian laws, it would seem that these princes would be better described as the "caterpillars" of society. — Grain Growers' Guide, Winnipeg, Man.

Statistics of Canadian Railways

(For the year ending June 30th, 1912)

Miles of railway in operation in Canada, 26,727, divided by provinces as follows : Ontario, 8,546 miles ; Quebec, 3,883 ; Manitoba, 3,520 ; Saskatchewan, 3,764 ; Alberta, 1,897 ; British Columbia, 1,855 ; New Brunswick, 1,545 ; Nova Scotia 1,357 ; Prince Edward Island, 269 ; Yukon Territory, 162. There was in operation 7,901 miles of double track, yard track and sidings, additional.

In addition to the above, 1,623 more miles of track were in actual operation but were officially regarded as under construction ; 1,738 more miles were completed, but not in operation ; 3,990 miles were under contract, and 1,474 more miles were surveyed. Total constructed and under construction, 35,552.

Total capitalization of Canadian railways : Stocks, $770,459,351 ; funded debt, $818,478,175 ; total, $1,588,937,526. Capitalization per mile of line, $59,454.

Capitalization per mile of railway in the various countries of the world is as follows : Canada, $59,454 ; United States $59,345 ; United Kingdom, $275,166 ; New Zealand, $52,547 ; South Australia, $39,619 ; Western Australia, $25,589 ; New South Wales, $52,623 ; Queensland, $32,596 ; Victoria, $61,237 ; Tasmania, $41,567 ; Cape of Good Hope, $47,212 ; Egypt, $88,842 ; France, $94,933 ; Germany, $111,737 ; Imperial Railways of North China, $82,871 ; India, $43,769.

We are accustomed to regard the American railways as overcapitalized, yet Canadian capitalization per mile exceeds that of America. Senator La Follette, of Wisconsin, estimates that at least two-thirds of the outstanding capitalization of American railways represents the capitalization of perquisites, privileges and expectations, rather than real value directly invested, and if the railways were capitalized at their proper value, the charges could be reduced from $150 per family per year to $50 per family for transportation expenses of persons and commodities. The same would hold good for Canada.

Great Britain has the highest capitalization per mile of any country in the world, being over two and a half times as great as the capitalization of Germany. The land owners charged fabulous rates for land, and the other parasites got aboard. For Great Britain is the original home of capitalist graft, no country coming anyway near the dear old mother land in the game of stealing the workers blind.

State ownership under capitalist control gives the same results to a large extent as private capitalist ownership. The 1,463 miles of the government owned Intercolonial cost $44,746,391, or $64,761 per mile, a capitalist cost exceeding that of the graft rotten roads of the U. S. The capital cost of the Temiskaming & Northern Ontario Railway (owned by the Provincial Ontario government) for its 302 miles was $17,665,500, or $58,495 per mile.

To build the privately owned railways of Canada the following sums have been given to the private owners from the public funds: Dominion bonuses, $154,075,235 ; Provincial gifts, $35,945,515. Gifts from municipalities, $18,051,324. Total, $208,072,074.

Beyond cash contributions there has been guarantee of loans of railway companies, which means that if the private companies did not pay up, the governments would make good the loss to the parasite lenders. These guarantees amount to the following sums : By the Dominion, $91,983,553 ; by Manitoba, $30,899,660 ; Alberta, $45,489,000 ; by Saskatchewan, $32,500,000 ; Ontario, $7,860,070; Nova Scotia, $5,022,000 ; British Columbia $38,946,832 ; New Brunswick, $1,893,000 ; Quebec, $446,000. Total, $245,070,045. These guarantees have increased by over $96,000,000 in one year. They mean that the public bears the loss, if any, the capitalists get the profit, if any.

Beyond cash gifts and guarantees, the private capitalists have received enormous grants of land, as follows : From the Dominion, 31,364,074 acres ; from Quebec, 13,625,949 ; British Columbia, 8,119,221 ; New Brunswick, 1,647,772 ; Nova Scotia, 160,000 ; Ontario, 635,039. Total, 56,052,055.

This land grant has been no mean item. During the 20 years from 1893 to 1912 inclusive, the railroads have sold 16,846,118 acres granted them by the Dominion for the sum of $101,477,212. In 1893 the average price per acre realized was $2.93. In 1912 the average price per acre realized was $13.70. The selling value is constantly increasing. If we put the low price of $17 per acre as what the railroads will get from the sale of their 15,018,956 acres which they still retain out of their Dominion grants, they will realize $255,322,252. The Quebec grants were mostly of rocky northern country, and have largely been redeemed by the Provincial Government at 52 cents an acre. Taking this price as the basis, the Quebec land grants were worth to the railways $7,085,494 in cash. If we estimate the remaining grants of land as worth $5 per acre on the average, they represent a value of $98,343,800. This makes the total of the land grants to the railways amount to $444,178,758.

Total public aid to railways is therefore as follows : Cash, $208,072,074 ; guarantees, $245,070,045 ; land grants, 444,178,758. Total, $897,320,877. This is considerably over half the total capitalization of the private railways of Canada. It is equal to $36,600 per mile for each mile of the 24,485 miles of privately owned lines in Canada. The "financial ability" of our eminent railway magnates consisted of working the elections so as to have representatives chosen who could get government funds to build the railways while letting the magnates own them. As Socialism would prevent such operations, the magnates are strongly against Socialism.

During the recent year the railways of Canada carried 41,124,181 passengers and 89,444,331 tons of freight. The private ownership of this social service is an anomaly Socialism will abolish.

The average railway journey of a passenger was 71 miles, and the average fare was $1.37½. The average revenue per passenger per mile was 1.943 cents. The average number of passengers per train was 63.

The freight transportation was composed of the following commodities : Products of agriculture, 17,300,945 tons (of which 9,741,671 tons was grain) ; products of animals, 3,159,280 tons ; products of mines, 31,467,799 ; products of forest, 14,152,721; manufactures, 16,241,081; merchandise, 2,711,963 ; miscellaneous, 4,416,542.

The average number of tons hauled per freight train was 325, and the average freight haul was 218 miles. Average receipt for hauling one ton one mile was three-quarters of a cent. This looks small, but would amount to a freight rate of $350 from Cowansville, P.Q., to Vancouver, B.C., on a car load of stuff weighing only 15 tons.

Coal consumed by the railways amounted to 7,783,736 tons. Coal cost the railways $3.12 per ton as against $2.97 in 1911, an increase in price of 5 per cent.

Gross earnings of the railways were $219,493,752.87. Operating expenses amounted to $150,726,539.87. Net earnings were $68,677,212.92, as compared with $57,698,708.86 in 1911.

Expenses for salaries and wages amounted to $87,299,638.81. The net earnings therefore were 78 per cent. of the wage bill. In 1911 they were 77 per cent. of wage bill. In 1909 net earnings were 64 per cent. of wage bill. The rate of exploitation is constantly increasing. For every $5 paid in wages, the masters get $8.

Total number of railway employes 155,901 ; average annual wage per employe, $559. Average profit per employe, $434. The average pay per day was only $1.86. Railway employes are supposed to be the best paid slaves in Canada, yet this is their average income. In 1911 the average wage was $528 per annum.

The total tax bill of the railways in Canada during 1912 was $2,200,528.55, or less than one-fifth of one per cent. of heir capitalization.

The following is the number of employes in each class on the railways, together with their average pay per day.

Class.	No. employed.	Pay per day.
General officers	325	$12.47
Other officers	1,018	4.92
General office clerks	7,679	1.99
Station agents	3,090	2.39
Other stationmen	15,041	1.77
Enginemen	5,585	4.64
Firemen	6,048	2.84
Conductors	4,348	3.69
Other trainmen	10,090	2.54
Machinists	3,932	3.34
Carpenters	4,320	2.68
Other shopmen	19,568	2.33
Section foremen	4,534	2.38
Other trackmen	26,319	1.77
Switch tenders, etc.	1,568	1.81
Telegraph operators	3,425	2.28
Employes floating Equipment	6,761	1.22
All other employes	32,228	1.84

Railway Accidents

The operation of railways in Canada resulted in the killing of 568 persons and the injury of 3,780. In 1911 there were 495 killed and 3,329 persons injured. One passenger in every 872,855 was killed and one in every 84,792 injured. In 1911 one passenger in every 1,324,919 was killed, and one in every 124,489 injured.

Of those killed, 68 were passengers and 234 were employes. Of the injured 2,924 were employes. Of the employes one in every 666 was killed, and one in every 53 injured. The trainmen suffered the most, one in every 225 being killed, and one in every 24 being injured.

Electric Railways

(For the year ending June 30th, 1912.)

These statistics for the first time are defective, for the Montreal Tramways Co. and the St. John Electric Co. failed to report their 1912 figures to the government. The Dominion compilers have taken for these two companies the figures of 1911. To show how defective this makes the statement we need only point out that the Montreal Tramways Co., in its reorganization of the subsidiary companies, emerged with over $50,000,000 of capitalization in place of $16,000,000.

However, taking the figures as given by the government returns, we find there are 1,308 miles of main electric track and 121 miles of sidings and turnouts. Total computed as single track, 1,723 miles.

Capitalization : Stocks, $70,820,118 ; funded debt, $52,012,828. Total, $122,841,946. Capitalization per mile, $71,290. If we add the $30,000,000 added during the year to the capitalization of the Montreal Tramways, the capitalization per mile will be $106,118.

Gross earnings of electric railways, $23,499,250.31. Operating expenses, $14,266,674.23. Net earnings $9,232,575.68.

The wage bill was $9,261,370.26. For every dollar paid in wages a dollar was put aside for profits. There were 14,760 employes. Average wage per annum, $627. An increase of four dollars per year over 1911.

During the year the electric railways carried 488,865,682 persons, killed 110 and injured 3,128.

Alberta Elections

At a meeting held in Starland Theatre, Lethbridge, Alta., Comrade C. M. O'Brien announced there will be a Socialist candidate in that constituency at the next provincial contest. In his own constituency of Rocky Mountain, Comrade O'Brien will have to face fusion of the Liberals and Conservatives. The Socialists should be at work preparing for the Alberta provincial elections. Comrade O'Brien deserves all the help he can get and the united support of the working class, as he has constantly fought for the interests of the working class in the legislature.

Socialists should be run in as many districts as possible. The time to become active is the present.

Intercollegiate Socialism

The Intercollegiate Socialist Society has just made announcement of the appearance this month of a new quarterly "The Intercollegiate Socialist," which the Society trusts will be more effective in carrying the message of Socialism into the colleges than was possible through the medium of the quarterly Bulletin, its official publication of the last three years.

The quarterly will be edited by the organizer, Harry W. Laidler. The first issue contains a graphic drawing by Art Young, called "The Struggle," Compressed in its pages are articles by Ellen Hayes on "The New Political Alignment" ; by Jessie Wallace Hughan, Ph. D., on "What is Socialism" ; by William English Walling on "Government Ownership vs. Socialism" ; as well as short excerpts from the writings of W. J. Ghent, Prof. Lester F. Ward, etc. The report of the Fourth Annual Convention as well as news from the various colleges, are also contained in the magazine. The size is 7x9, and the price 5c a copy.

It will be the effort of the Society to give to the beginner through this magazine, a clear understanding of the principles and practices of Socialism, and it will portray as faithfully as possible all sides of the International Socialist movement. It will be primarily an educational rather than a propagandistic publication. Copies may be obtained at 5c a copy, 25 copies for one dollar, from the society, 105 W. 40th St., New York City.

Since the last Bulletin went to press, the organizer reports the formation of eleven undergraduate and five graduate chapters. Those interested in the work of the Society are asked to correspond with the organizer, Harry W. Laidler, at 105 W. 40th St., New York City.

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(We earnestly advise every one of our readers who wishes to cure a dear one of drunkenness to write to this lady today. Her offer is a sincere one.)

Every capitalist who goes to church contributes by his presence to making the church a den of thieves.

The brotherhood of man is an impossibility as long as the capitalist system, with its class antagonisms, exists.

The Hon. Geo. Perley, M.P. for Argenteuil, P. Q., is a millionaire lumberman. He draws his revenue from the slavery of the working class. He is in parliament representing the owners. What representation has the non-owning workers at Ottawa ? None.

R. B. Bennett, M.P. for Calgary, Alta., was recently mentioned in the daily press as putting through a merger of a string of 80 elevators, with the assistance of Sir Max Aitken. He represents the owning capitalists. The non-owning workers have no one representing them.

David Marshall, M. P. for Elgin East, Ont., represents the interests of the Canadian Canners, Ltd., the canning merger. He acts as the apologist of this merger on the floor of the house. What representation has the workers ? None.

D. O. Lesperance, M.P. for Montmagny, Que., and G. P. Graham, ex-Minister of Railways, refused to vote on the Richelieu & Ontario Navigation Company's $15,000,000 bill, because they were interested in the Company. They were among the capitalist owners. What representation has the workers in Parliament ? None

Rodolphe Forget is M.P. for two counties, Charlevoix and Montmorency. On February 10th he rose in the House and said, "As president of the Richelieu & Ontario Navigation Co., I desire to offer a few words," etc., etc. This is a $15,000,000 merger of ship lines on the lakes and St. Lawrence. What representation has the employes of this company ? None.

Not content with giving the Canadian Northern Railway the bed of a dry creek in Vancouver city worth millions of dollars, the McBride government is guaranteeing the C. N. R. terminal bonds to the tune of $10,000,000. There is wonderful prosperity in British Columbia for the capitalist class. A few months ago the construction workers on the C.N.R. struck work. Pooh, that was nothing. McBride declared in the legislature that the workers had no cause to strike, as other workers were found to take their places. Because hungry bellies force workers to accept the dirtiest work at low pay proves to McBride that the working class have no cause for complaint. How long will the laboring many of British Columbia stand for the sneers and jeers and brutal treatment of this political mountebank of the master class who use him to the limit because they have found him to be the most pliable tool on the Pacific Coast to grant to them the title deeds to a province's wealth rich in natural resources beyond the dreams of avarice ?

At a banquet in Ottawa Borden declared that few persons realized the opportunities in Canada. About the same time Rev. Dr. Bland, speaking at a meeting of the Grain Growers at Saskatoon, Sask., said that in no country was there so high an average of prosperity and contentment. He continued, "Politics seem to have sunk to the lowest depths to which politics can sink." He declared that the day would come when the people would rise from Atlantic to Pacific and drive these human jackals and hyenas into the depths whence they came. This minister could only be referring to the Socialist movement in this rising. For the hyenas and jackals in politics are simply the agents of the hyenas and jackals in finance, commerce, industry, transportation and business. Borden realizes the opportunities for the jackals and hyenas and his government is busy helping the exploiters against the producers. The political corruption is the natural reflex of our legalized business thievery. Abolish rent, interest and profit, give the producers the social equivalent of the wealth they produce, and there would be no corruption in politics.

The Board of Control of Montreal has granted $103,000 to charities. It pays pretty nearly $2,000,000 as interest on the city debts. This goes to the useless bondholders. Moreover, the homes of the Montreal workers are owned by landlords, and the rent is boosted. $20,000,000 a year in net profits for the landlords is a small estimate of this tremendous toll taken from the producers of wealth. The $103,000 granted by the city authorities is an insult and a disgrace. The whole charity business is an outrage. Why should we have charity at all ? It is because the human jackals and hyenas who pose as respectable citizens rob and plunder the slave class of Montreal—the useful workers—that the workers are ground down into the depths of misery. Then the city executive of the labor skinners—the Board of Control—hands out a beggarly dribble of the stolen wealth to certain organized institutions to take care of the worst cases of misery created by the robbery.

GET BUSY--NOW

For six straight weeks Cotton's has gone back.

That is enough to make every plundering plute in Canada smile a joyful smile.

They need not feel jubilant, however, for the boys of the Firing Line are getting their second wind and are pitching into the brain boxes of their fellow slaves and are boring holes therein for the new idea that it is not necessary for the working class to have masters and owners set over them to relieve them of the greater portion of their product.

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CIRCULATION STATEMENT.

Week of February 20th, 1913.

	Off.	On.	Total
ntario	266	276	1069[illegible]
askatchewan	94	184	4[illegible]
ritish Columbia	157	85	44[illegible]
lberta	129	94	33[illegible]
anitoba	28	20	14[illegible]
rovince Quebec	35	28	1302
Nova Scotia	42	40	1359
Foreign	13	10	416
New Brunswick	8	5	3[illegible]
Yukon Territory	2	2	3[illegible]
Newfoundland	17	2	3[illegible]
Prince Edward Island	1	0	4[illegible]
	792	736	27690

Loss for week—56.

Total issue last week—31,600.

HOT CIRCULATION LINERS.

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